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BILL SALGADO, left, of Stockton, president of the California Indian Coordinating council, and Albert Charlie, of Porterville, treasurer of the council, discuss pending federal legislation designed to reimburse Indians for California lands taken from them - legislation that Salgado condemns as being unfair to the Indians. (Farm Tribune photo)

SPRINGVILLE SEWER IN OPERATION

SPRINGVILLE, July 1—A major step in improvement of the Springville community was accomplished this week when a new sewage disposal plant went into operation.

The plant, a collection system, and improvement of the community's water system, was financed through a bond issue and federal loan; the construction project has been underway since shortly after the first of the year.

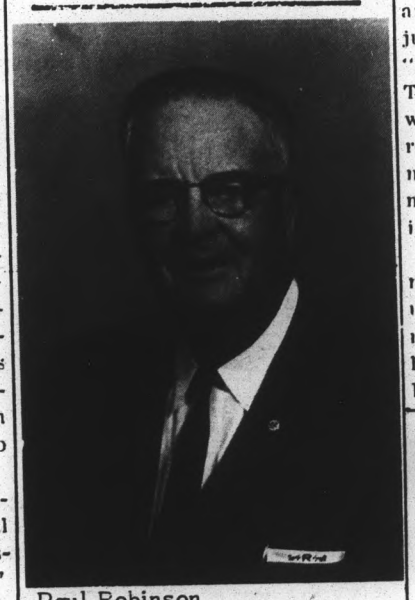
Carlos Gregg, chairman of the board of directors of the Springville Public Utility district, says that with the sewage disposal plant now in operation, property can be tied into the system as rapidly as owners care to move.

Ed Rouch, a local contractor, is making connection to the system;

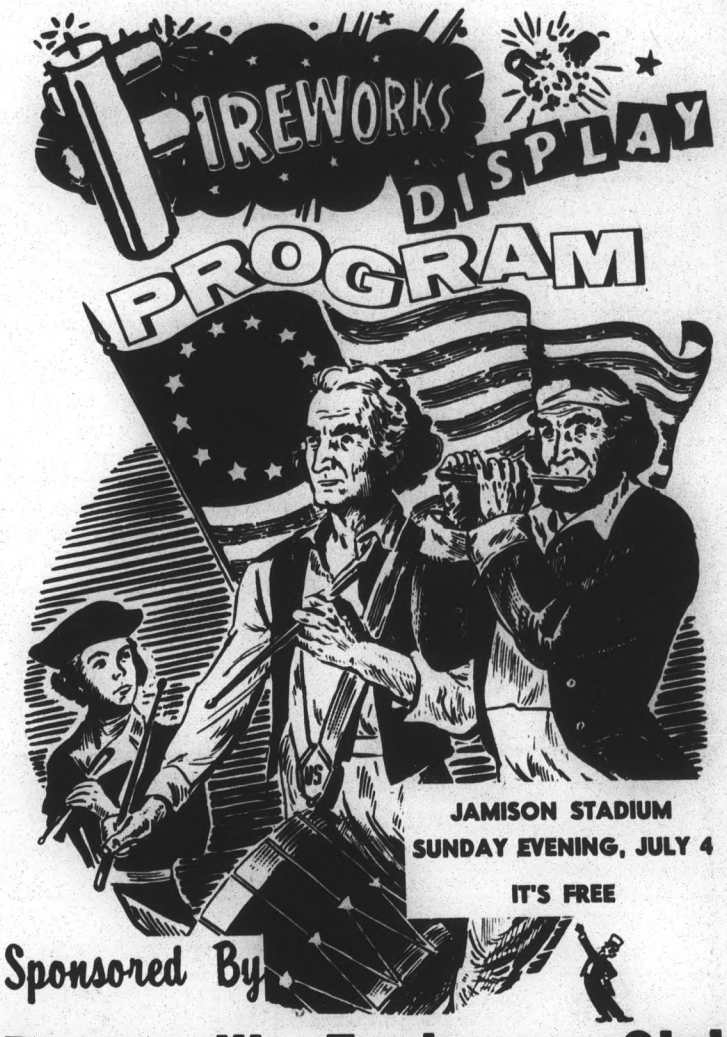
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Mamie E. Saak
(Porterville Studio photo)



Paul Robinson
(Hammond Studio photo)



PRICE TAG ON CALIFORNIA? INDIANS SAY IT IS WORTH MORE THAN PRICE OFFERED

By Bill Rodgers

If a strange race of people suddenly descended on California, defeated us in battle, took our lands, shuffled us off on reservations, then, a century later, decided to make things right with our descendents, what would the price tab be on California?

A hundred years from now it would be possible to study present-day records and arrive at some kind of legitimate value.

But when the white man took the Indian lands a century ago, what was California worth? And what should California Indians be paid today as just compensate for losses suffered by their families when the white man moved in?

Congress has appropriated $29,100,000 to cover an amount stipulated in a proposed compromise award made by the Indian Claims commission in connection with land treaties signed in 1852. And at a series of Indian meetings in California, acceptance of this compromise figure was voted.

However, the appropriation bill carried the proviso that the money could not be distributed until authorizing legislation was adopted to provide a method of distribution; this authorizing legislation has been introduced by Congressman B. F. Sisk, of Fresno.

But the Indians—at least many of them — are not happy about it.

In fact Bill Salgado, president of the California Indian Coordinating Council, and spokesman for a large group of California Indians, states that his organization "has submitted documented evidence to the Congress of the United States showing unconstitutional methods of attorneys in seeking to obtain a fraudulent settlement."

Salgado, a Cahwilla Indian from Riverside county who now resides in Stockton, was in Porterville last week to meet informally with Indians of this area, including Albert Charlie, of Porterville, who is the California Council treasurer.

Salgado charges that attorneys hired by the Indians are not working for the Indians, and that Indians have been misled through their own attorneys and the federal Bureau of Indian Affairs.

He questions the method of arriving at the compromise figure of $29,100,000 as unconstitutional, and he opposes the provision that if this figure is accepted, it will be final and complete, and will close the door to any further settlement.

As Salgado outlines background information, it was in 1928 that a federal jurisdictional act gave Indians the right to bring suit against the government, and with Indians represented by the attorney general, a $17 million judgment was rendered in favor of California Indians. Certain deductions were made for benefits received by Indians, and $1.25 an acre was charged for land given to the losses suffered by their families the Indians.

"Indians could see," says Salgado, "that the attorney general had not sued for all that was possible, or all that was legitimate."

In 1946 President Harry S. Truman signed the Indian Claims Commission act which opened the door for Indians to hire their own attorneys. But the attorneys had to be approved by the Bureau of Indian Affairs, and Indians found that they could not fire their attorneys if they were not satisfied with their work. Salgado feels that under the situation Indians were not much further ahead than when they were represented by the attorney general.

However, California Indians did hire attorneys, with the understanding that suit would be filed in behalf of California Indians under the 1852 treaties of not less than $100 million to compensate for land taken by the white man.

In addition to attorneys for California Indians generally, certain groups and tribes hired their own attorneys. Salgado cites the case of the Mission Indians, who hired

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Sardis Templeton Publishes Book On Life Of Notorious Pegleg Smith

WALNUT CREEK — Sardis Templeton, a native of Porterville and a retired newspaper man, has just published an historical book, "The Lame Captain", the story of Thomas Long "Pegleg" Smith, who, Templeton says, probably rode more miles horseback, loved more Indian women, and stole more horses than any other man in history.

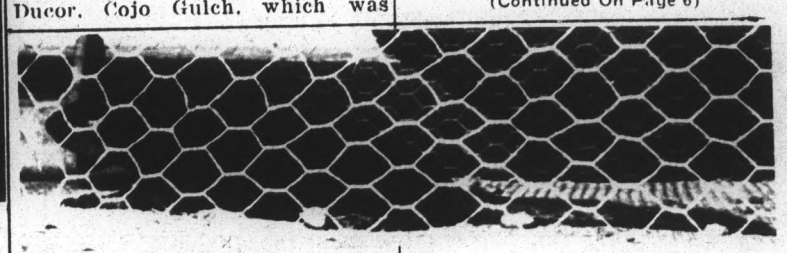
Smith was one of the West's most notorious horse thieves; he used the Tulare county area as a rendezvous, and one of his favorite hideouts was a small valley east of Ducor, Cojo Gulch, which was named after him, since in provincial records, he was known as El Capitan Cojo, the lame captain.

Smith came to California in the early 1800s, after losing a leg in a fight with Indians. He stole horses from the great California ranchos and missions, drove them East, and sold them.

Published by Westernlore Press, of Los Angeles, at $7.50 per copy, Templeton's book puts together the biography and the legends surrounding the famous Pegleg.

Templeton himself is from a pioneer family that settled on the

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LOOK CLOSE. Back of that wire. It's a black ground squirrel.

FINANCE & THRIFT CO. TO OBSERVE FORTIETH ANNIVERSARY; MAMIE SAAK AND PAUL ROBINSON TO BE HONORED

PORTERVILLE, July 1 — Finance & Thrift Co., one of the oldest industrial loan companies in the San Joaquin valley, will observe its fortieth anniversary on Friday, July 9.

It was in 1925 that a group of men with vision organized Finance & Thrift Co., incorporating for $50,000 and 500 shares of common stock. The charter was received on July 9 of that year, and headquarters was established in Porterville. During the ensuing years, the Porterville office has served the people of the community continuously, and it is now also the home office for the entire company.

Special guests of honor at the home office on the anniverary date will be Paul J. Robinson and Mamie E. Saak. Mr. Robinson is the only living member of the original board of directors. Mrs. Saak, first employee of the company, served continuously until her retirement in 1962, and is still a member of the board of directors.

The Porterville office is managed by R. L. Armistead, and his staff includes Bettie Arborn, Marcia Cruze and Evod Sullivan.

The growth of Finance & Thrift Co. since 1925 kept pace with the development of the valley, and the company expanded from the original one office with one employee.

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BLACK SQUIRRELS TRAPPED BY ART TODD

PORTERVILLE, July 1 — They look like ground squirrels, they act like ground squirrels, they live with ground squirrels—but they're black and they have no hair.

This briefly describes two squirrels that Art Todd trapped at his service station on North Main street and that he now has caged at the station — both of them are young squirrels and both were discovered in a rock pile living with common, brown squirrels.

Bill Clark, from the office of the county agricultural commis-

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Our Town—

By RUTH LOYD

I just didn't feel like it last week, and anyway I wanted to see the River Island Golf course. What a beautiful course. I had just seen it from the road and didn't know how lovely it was. Dale Lovett plays golf and she wanted to beat someone so she invited me. She even conned her son into letting me use his clubs as mine are 20 years old and the wood shafts splinter. If David tries to find golf balls in his bag, I have news for him. The balls are half way to Success Lake by now. That river scared me and my golf balls. I hadn't walked so much for years and my poor calves are whimpering. Now I've gotten the bug, and if Dale will let me I want to play often. I guess I'll have to invest in some clubs now. Just to make David happy.

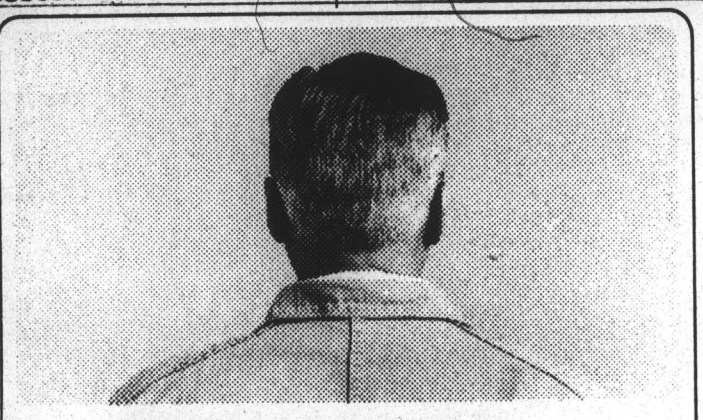
OOh, my mail is so interesting. No one signs their letters, the cowards, but they are fun to read. WHY SWITCH ALL THE PRINCIPALS all of a sudden. Don't blame it on me? I didn't do it. This is a school policy all of a sudden. It isn't a written policy, just a policy to remember when one school board thinks it is time to switch someone. Let's not switch just a few, let's turn the basket upside down. Now everyone will have a whack at a new school. What fun. Of course this is nobody's business but the board's. We elected the members of the board and if we don't like it we should get a new board. I think switching principals around is good. Give them a new staff to work with. Shake them up a bit. Learn to get along with a new P.T.A. What I think is sneaky is the time they pick to switch everyone. Let the poor sheep sign their contracts thinking it will be the old principal they will have next year then Surprise! Surprise! a new face across the desk. Not only the teachers get a shock, but the principals have gone all this time thinking the board will let them have their old school, and wham! I guess OUR BOARD likes to make up its mind in a hurry.

I still think teachers should be

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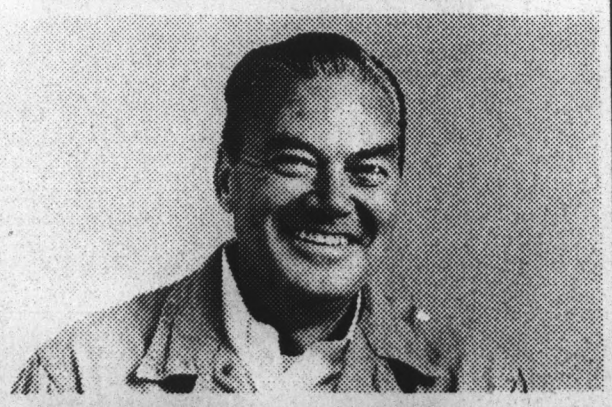
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To: Honorable Board of Supervisors of Tulare County

AGRICULTURAL COMMITTEE OF THE 1965 GRAND JURY
INTERIM REPORT

Roy Nunn, Chairman
H. H. Hutchinson,
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Don E. Bendowski

On March 9th, 1965 the Agricultural Committee of the 1965 Grand Jury made a visit to the Agricultural Commissioner's office. After a comprehensive discussion with Mr. Mankins of all phases of his duties as agricultural commissioner it was felt by this committee that Tulare County was being well served by Mr. Mankins and his staff.

A thorough discussion was held as to the building of the new agricultural building; the site location; special needs of his department, etc.

Mr. Mankins feels that the lack of proper laboratory space and facilities is preventing him from doing the best possible work in inspecting seed and nursery stock that is being brought into Tulare County. He also feels that additional work should be done to control weeds along the rights of way adjacent to county roads. Also, more work should be done to control certain species of dangerous weeds.

In addition to the committee visitation of the Agricultural Commissioner's office, two members of our committee, Mr. Don Bendowski and Mr. H. H. Hutchinson, made a visit to the agricultural department's office in the Porterville area. Here, they met with Mr. Prentis Wells and his staff and both feel that the department seemed to be staffed by well qualified personnel and that they were doing a good job.

The next visit made by our group was to the Farm Advisor's office where we met with Mr. Sheldon Jackson and discussed the scope of duties and authority that he exercises as the head of the extension service.

Much has already been written by previous grand juries on the poor accommodations available for Mr. Jackson and his staff. However, we would like to touch briefly on a few of the problems that will be alleviated by the building of the new agricultural building.

A real frustrating problem at the present time is the lack of space. Usually, three farm advisors are assigned to one room. This leads to interference during dictation, conferences; and the writing of reports. There is also considerable reluctance on the part of farmers to discuss their problems in front of other farm advisors and other farmers who might be in the room at the time.

The lack of suitable laboratory facilities, as with the Agricultural Commissioner, is one of the main problems. A diagnostic laboratory should be included in the new agricultural building.

Mr. Jackson also stated that it would be far more efficient if quarters for the storage of the equipment used by his department could be included on the site of the new building.

After careful consideration, our committee decided to recommend to the Tulare County Board of Supervisors that they provide for adequate laboratory facilities in the new agricultural building to be used jointly by the Extension Service and the Agricultural Commissioner's staff. In addition, we recommend that adequate storage space to house the Extension Service's equipment be included in the new building.

Respectfully submitted,

Roy A. Nunn

ROY A. NUNN, CHAIRMAN

Farmers Home Administration Office Is Moved

VISALIA, July 1 — Raymond H. Gardner, county supervisor, has announced that effective July 1, the Farmers Home administration office servicing Tulare county will move into a new office at 217 N. Encina street, Visalia. The new office is located between Center and Oak streets on the west side of Encina street.

The Farmers Home administration, an agency of the United States Department of Agriculture, serves eligible farmers who need technical help on farm and money management problems. Loans are made only to applicants unable to obtain adequate credit from other sources at reasonable rates and terms.

Anyone interested in learning more about the agency's loan program should call at the new address and talk to Gardner, or his assistant, Wesley A. Anderson.



UNDER THESE oak trees will be located the new Josten's Inc. plant, for which a $260,000 building permit was taken out last week. Preliminary land work is now underway at the site, located just north of highway 190, between Jaye street and south Main.

(Farm Tribune photo)

PROPOSAL MADE FOR GOVERNMENT TO "BUY UP" COTTON ALLOTMENTS

WASHINGTON, July 1 — Congress is being urged to end cotton price supports and acreage allotments quickly and compensate cotton farmers $1.8 billion.

The proposal was made by spokesmen for the Chamber of Commerce of the United States, who said that it would be a bargain for U.S. taxpayers and put cotton farming on a sound economic basis as well.

Scheduled to testify for the Chamber before the House Agriculture committee were W. B. Camp, a cotton farmer, who is president of W. B. Camp & Sons, Bakersfield, and Walter B. Garver, manager of the chamber's agriculture department.

Despite having spent many billions of dollars, and giving promise of spending many billions more, the cotton program is "close to disaster," Camp and Garver said. Artificially high price supports are continuing to stimulate vast overproduction. The chamber's proposal would compensate farmers for losses caused by removal of the price supports and would let producers, themselves, tailor production to market demands, they said.

The one-shot compensation would be in the form of purchase of acreage allotments, the spokesmen said. The price per allotment suggested was 24 cents for each pound of cotton the allotment normally yielded. Thus, a farmer who normally grew 10,000 pounds of cotton a year would get $2,400.

In addition, Camp and Garver proposed that the government pay extra compensation to farmers who quit cotton farming altogether. This compensation would be based on the same formula proposed for allotment purchases.

They said the compensation to cotton farmers is justified on the grounds that artificially high price supports have given cotton farms an artificially high value, which would be lost with removal of supports.

Camp and Garver summed up the benefits of the program this way: "First, the program will encourage the speedy retirement from cotton of those too small or too ill-equipped to survive in the competitive production of upland cotton. Some of them will reorganize their farm operations and shift to more profitable enterprises. Others will move from farming to other employment where there are growing opportunities, or to outright retirement.

"Second, the market price will intensify the profit motive to producers, inducing them to adopt cost cutting techniques and management practices.

"Third, because prices influence cost of production, especially on such capital items as land and machinery, producers will be disciplined to reduce and keep in line their fixed costs in scale with the income to be earned from cotton."

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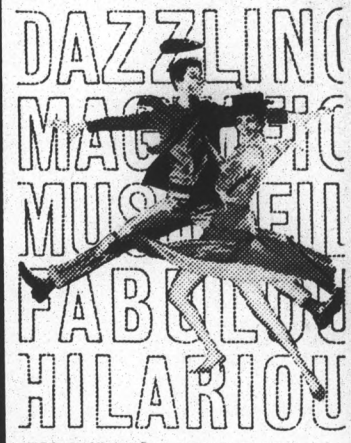
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Motors roar on the PBM and the F-7-F stationed there; phos-chek is pumped into their 600 and 800 gallon tanks; they hit the young forest fire with waves of chemical fire retardant, checking the blaze and buying time as fire fighters are flown in by helicopter, or sent to the scene by truck or pack train as the situation demands.

Ninety-five percent of the time, the retardant mission is successful; the blaze is held to a small area until ground forces — men with shovels — can kill the fire.

In the five percent of fires that, because of special conditions, cannot be immediately checked and extinguished, a state-wide network of bombers may be called to Porterville; lead planes, carrying Forest Service personnel, may direct the chemical drops from the air, working by radio network with the fire foreman on the ground and the bomber pilots in the air; a complete Forest Service radio network ties the entire operation together, locally and state-wide.

Key to aerial delivery of fire-retardant chemicals in the Sequoia National Forest, and the State Forests in the Sierra east of Porterville, is the Porterville Municipal airport, where the U.S. Forest Service and the California Division of Forestry jointly operate a facility for mixing and loading chemicals.

The operation is geared to a point where planes with 600-800 gallon chemical tanks can be loaded and in the air in three minutes; the giant B-17s that carry 2,000 gallons. can be loaded and off the ground in six to seven minutes. During one major fire, 88,000 gallons of chemicals were delivered in a six-hour period.

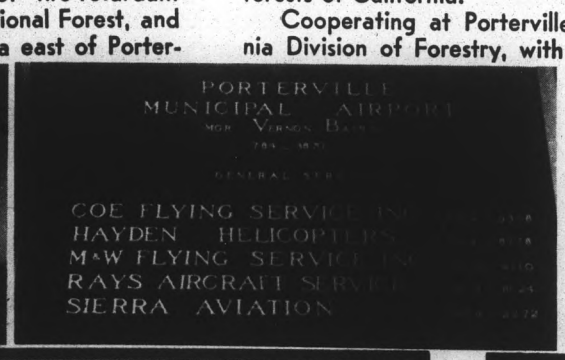
Facility at the Porterville airport can handle from nine to 12 planes operating on a given fire — distance to the fire and size of the planes is the determining factor. The Porterville airport provides runways long enough for operation of the biggest planes; location of the airport makes it ideal to serve the Sequoia National Forest area, and, when needed, part of the Sierra Forest, Sequoia and Kings Canyon National parks, and Kern county mountain areas.

Last summer planes flew a fire on the coast when airports regularly used in that area were fogged in.

The Porterville base is part of a U.S. Forest Service regional system that covers the forests of California.

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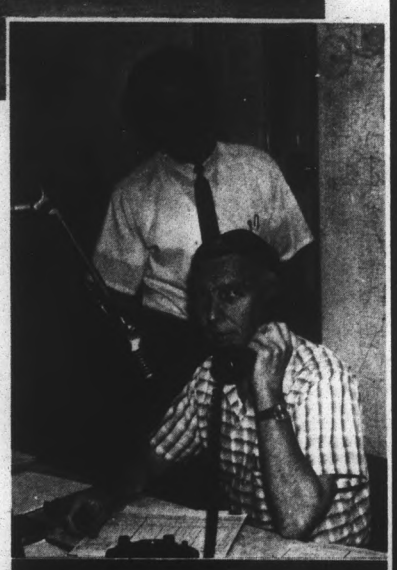
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federal services having standby bombers available on the airport at all times during the fire season.

Usual procedure is for both planes to be used on a given fire, regardless of whether it is on state or federal forest; the agency on whose forest the fire is located pays the bill.

And quite a bill it is, in one sense — $382 per flying hour for the F-7-F (varying charges, more or less, for larger and small planes) plus about 15 cents per gallon for chemicals used. The U.S. Forest service underwrites standby planes with a guaranteed 10 hours per month.

But mission of the Forest Service is to protect the forest and the watershed for benefit of agriculture, industry and recreation. The chemical bombers have proved to be — in the long run — an efficient and economical fire fighting tool.

What about the future of the operation on the Porterville airport?

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And thereby adding activity and diversity to the municipal airport operation.

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Gardening is supposed to be relaxing and it can be too. First you need a soft seat in a cool spot so you can get organized. This restful moment gives you time to consider whether what you were about to do really needs doing or was a brainstorm of your wife. If the latter is true you'd better think up a good story before moving on to something important like looking for lost golf balls.

There are a few things you might find relaxation doing because they save work later. For instance a light pruning now may keep pyracantha or other shrubs from needing a heavy pruning next time. Likewise a spraying of the weeds while they are small is easier than when full grown. Of course if it is already too late for these you had better sit back down and contemplate something else.

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Additions to the Springville water system, including a 123,000 gallon water storage tank, have been in operation since January.

BLACK SQUIRRELS

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sioner, says that the two may represent a mutation, since they appear to be ordinary California squirrels, except for color and the hairless "elephant skin". He says that there appears to be no real importance attached to the squirrels, except as an oddity.

Todd plans to keep them caged, observe them, and see if they will re-produce. Both he and Clark would be interested in hearing from ranchers, or other persons, who might have seen other black squirrels in the area.

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Tule river in the 1850s; the old Templeton ranch is now covered by the waters of Lake Success. Templeton meadow, in the high Sierra, was named after his family, the Templetons running cattle in this area during the summer months.

A graduate of Porterville high school, Templeton was associated with the Porterville Evening Recorder and the Lindsay Gazette, during the newspaper days.

Persons interested in securing a copy of "The Lame Captain", can write to Templeton, 1300 Oakmont Drive, Walnut Creek, California.

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until today 17 major valley cities, from Arvin to Merced, are served by Finance & Thrift offices, with a combined staff of 62 employees. Plans for future expansion are under consideration, according to company officials.

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The board of directors is headed by Mr. Mosconi and includes Mrs. Saak, Mr. Allen, Theo. L. Cairns, Frederick Frick, J. Frank Hallford, and Gaylord N. Hubler.

COUNTY AG. TEACHERS STUDY "THE JOB AHEAD"

SAN LUIS OBISPO — Nearly 400 of the state's agricultural teachers, including several from Tulare county, attended the 46th annual conference of the California Agricultural Teachers' association that closed June 25 at California State Polytechnic college. Theme of the conference was, "The Job Ahead."

Attending from Porterville were Darwin Gubler, head of the high school agriculture department and president of the state association; also Rodney P. Homer, agriculture instructor.

Attending from Lindsay was Ron K. Bryant; from Strathmore, Ray E. Agee; from Exeter, Byron E. Harrison; and from Visalia, Fred Schmall, Jr., Robert Tomasevich, Donald J. Vieira and John D. Sylvia.

The week-long conference was jointly sponsored by Cal Poly, the California Agricultural Teachers' association and the California Bureau of Agricultural education.



CONVERSATION PIECE - pro and con - is this new clubhouse that is nearing completion on the Porterville Municipal Golf course. Top photo shows the general appearance of the building, looking toward the west; center photo is a view along the east porch; bottom photo - well, of all things. It's a hole in the new wall resulting from a golf ball hitting the wall. There is another one or two just like it, and a broken window already.

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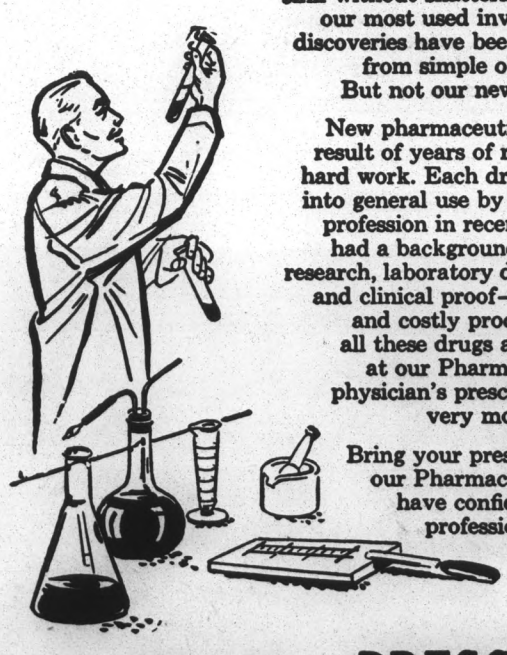
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A first novel by a fine new original talent is titled THE LADIES OF THE RACHMANINOFF EYES, by Henry Van Dyke. The narrator, a student who watches what happens with progressively less innocent eyes, is the great-nephew of the elderly Negro housekeeper in the Michigan country home of a wealthy old Jewish woman. The two old ladies bicker and quarrel but are friends rather than servant and mistress. To give away the plot would be unfair to this strange and wonderful story; enough to say that the catalyst is a self-termed warlock who has arrived to hold a seance. A bit slow starting, but well worth continuing.

My favorite novel for this year is BOY GRAVELY (a novel of the fury of genius), by Iris Dornfeld. Boy grew up lonely in the Los Angeles slums and ran away in his early teens. His mother had a swarm of children by different fathers; his grandmother was a pickpocket and fortune teller. Boy was a musical genius, acutely sensitive to sounds, listening intently the noise of towns and cities, inscribing the noise into odd and powerful compositions. Miss Dornfeld's novel is a haunting story told with great art. The solitary, neglected child, the potential composer, has much in common with the "Jeeney Ray" of Miss Dornfeld's greatly admired first novel. Characterization is first-class.

E. V. Cunningham has acquired quite a following for his light novels — such as SHIRLEY, SYLVIA, LYDIA AND ALICE; he calls them "entertainments", and that they are. Just received is PENELOPE —a farcical, frothy, amusing story with some of the best dialog of the year. "Penelope" is a wealthy, pretty New York matron, aged 44, married to a stuffy banker; she is an intelligent woman, so bored with her life that for fun and malice she robs her husband's newest burglar-proof bank, to the helpless horror of her confidant, her psychoanalyst. She also has acquired quite a pile of her friends' expensive jewelry. E. V. Cunningham is better known as Howard Fast, of course.

Right now I am in the middle of Robert Wilder's latest tale, FRUIT OF THE POPPY — a tense, tough thriller about dope smuggling. It begins with a mousy little accountant's plot to steal a fortune from his Chicago gangster boss; with this quarter million he plans to set himself up in Mexico as a narcotics operator. The gangster with his Mafia connections, reaches out in a revenge which encompasses also his beautiful mistress, who has decided to leave him. There is plenty of action and suspense, and much authentic-sounding description of the drug traffic. I am finding it quite good reading.

CALIFORNIA SPEAKS

HENRY RASMUSSEN, Mill Valley artist, do-it-yourself home builder—"I've a strange attitude that if anyone else can do a thing, so can I."

JESSE M. UNRUH, Assembly Speaker — "I believe a supine legislature, which can be shoved around at will, does not contribute either to party harmony or the people's welfare."

PAUL L. FISHER, Redondo Beach—"We have been turning from freedom to an Americanized socialism without being fully aware of what we are giving up—like the bird that traded its feather for a worm."

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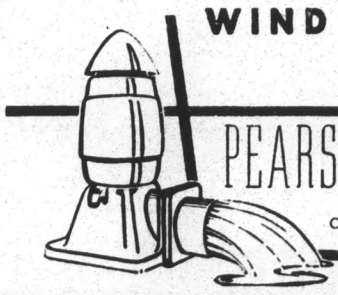
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an attorney who subsequently assigned the case to two other attorneys; these two attorneys eventually received judgship appointments which eliminated them as attorneys for the Indians, so they, in turn assigned the case to another attorney.

According to Salgado, all of this was done without the consent of the Indians, but with approval of the Bureau of Indian Affairs.

In 1958, as Salgado tells the story, meetings between attorneys for various Indian interests and Washington officials were held. At that time the Indians north of the Tehachapis were included in Area A and those south of the Tehachapi were in Area B. Indians wanted to consolidate into a single state unit, and thought that this was being accomplished; settlement figure at that time was thought to be between $96 million and $100 million.

"But after the meetings, everything was dropped," Salgado states.

In 1963, according to Salgado, the compromise figure of $29.1 million was agreed upon in Washington, unbeknownst to California Indians, and attorneys for the Indians started a series of meetings to get approval of the compromise figure.

First in a series of 15 meetings was called among the Mission Indians. Notices were received by the Indians on August 25 for a meeting on September 7, according to Salgado. Three other rapidly-called meetings were held — at Escondido, San Diego and Los Angeles.

"Indians had no chance to inform themselves on the issue," Salgado says, "and our own attorneys used an approach that after 15 years of litigation the government had decided on the $29.1 million figure, which means each Indian stood a chance of getting from $800 to $1,000; we have a long ways to travel; you want to get home; the polls are open in the back of the room.

According to Salgado, attorneys were leading Indians into saying, "This is what we want, this is what we will settle for," and the vote at early meetings was overwhelmingly in favor of the settlement.

Salgado states that if the proposed settlement is accepted, then attorneys could be paid — an average of $50,000 each if the legal fee allowed was equally divided among all attorneys in the case.

At a meeting in Fresno, the tide began to turn when Indian speakers began to be heard. The vote at that meeting, and at one or two that followed was still favorable, but very close. Then the Pitt River tribe voted against the compromise figure.

As Salgado explains the situation, there are three main groups of Indians in California, the Pitt River, the Mission and the Indians of California, the latter including generally the Indians of Central California.

In the compromise agreement, according to Salgado, was a clause that all three groups had to accept the compromise, otherwise it would be dropped. But when the Pitt River Indians voted "no", attorneys went before the Indian Claims commission and got a ruling that ballots could be sent in by mail. After mail ballots had been counted in the Bureau of Indian Affairs, it was announced, according to Salgado, that the Pitt River Indians had voted in favor of the compromise figure.

At a meeting in San Francisco, Indians voted down the compromise, then at a meeting in Bishop, there was an overwhelming "no" vote. But this vote was nullified by an Indian Claims commission ruling that the Bishop Indians were participating in another docket, so had no right to claims of California Indians.

And several groups were classed as "border Indians", or "splinter groups", and are specifically eliminated from the compromise settlement by the Sisk bill — the Northern Paiute, southern Paiute, Mojave, Quechan, Chemehuevi, Shoshone, Washoe, Klamath, Modoc and the Yahooskin Band of Snakes.

"Yet many of these Indians voted individually in the settlement meetings merely by saying that they were California Indians," Salgado says. "Now, under the Sisk bill, California Indians must prove their ancestry. We think that it should have been determined who would benefit and who would vote before the compromise was proposed."

In fact, Salgado charges that the entire voting procedure and the handling of the Indian meetings, was unconstitutional. He charges that attorneys for the Indians tried to push the compromise through without due concern for their clients.

"Attorneys have, in a sense, defrauded Indian clients in that they did not convey the full meaning to Indians of what they were voting for."

So what do the Indians want?

As Salgado sees it, Indians want fairness, and they want to be left alone. They don't want to fight year after year to retain the last remaining portions of land they now occupy — lands set aside not because of wishes of the Indians, but because Indians had no choice but to go along.

As for the eventual judgment on payment to Indians, Salgado realizes that Indians can never get back the original lands they owned under treaty; he feels that land that once belonged to the Indians should be compensated for at not less than $100 million — which he points out is nothing compared to money appropriated from taxpayers to be sent to foreign countries, many of them communistic. And he believes the $100 million should be paid without the stipulation of "final."

"I do not believe we should close the door to Indians of future generations, and sever the Indians' rights to land. No group has given so much to the United States as have the Indians," he says.

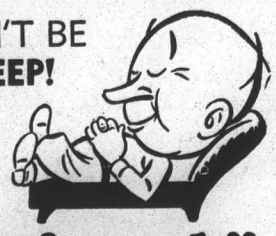
As for the Sisk bill, Salgado says that "nothing is favorable for the Indians." He says that Indians were permitted to vote on a compromise settlement by merely saying they were Indians, but under provisions of the bill they now have to prove they are Indians before they can participate in a settlement; the proof should have been necessary before they were allowed to vote, he believes.

Deductions for attorney fees "come off the top," he says, also litigation expenses; there is no time limit on determining the official Indian roll; Indians have had little voice in determining what they should be paid, but rather someone else is telling them what they should receive; there is no firm figure as to what Indians will get; money that is left over,

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Said petition will be heard by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Tulare, State of California, in the chambers of said Board, in the Courthouse in the City of Visalia, California, on July 27, 1965, at ten o'clock a.m., when and where any person interested may present evidence thereon.

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On this 9th day of June, 1965, before me, Gaylord N. Hubler, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, personally appeared HENRY CLAY BURFORD, ROBERT THOMAS OTTO and EARL EDGAR SMITH, JR., known to me to be the persons whose names are subscribed to the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that they executed the same.

WITNESS my hand and official seal.
/s/ GAYLORD N. HUBLER (SEAL)
Gaylord N. Hubler, Notary Public in and for said County and State
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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Superior Court of the State of California For the County of Tulare

No. 18065

Estate of
ALBERT P. HOI TERMANN, also known as A. P. Holtermann and Albert Holtermann, Deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to the creditors of the above named decedent that all persons having claims against the said decedent are required to file them, with the necessary vouchers, in the office of the clerk of the above entitled court, or to present them, with the necessary vouchers, to the undersigned at the law offices of BURFORD, HUBLER & BURFORD, 141 East Mill Avenue, Porterville, California, which is the place of business of the undersigned in all matters pertaining to the estate of said decedent, within six months after the first publication of this notice.

Dated June 4, 1965.
BRIGITTA C. HOLTERMANN, Administratrix of the Estate of the above named decedent.

Burford, Hubler & Burford
Attorneys at Law
141 East Mill Avenue
Porterville, California, 93257
Telephone: (209) 784-5064
Attorneys for Administratrix
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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Superior Court of the State of California For the County of Tulare

No. 18064

Estate of
MINNIE FIRESTOCK, Deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to the creditors of the above named decedent that all persons having claims against the said decedent are required to file them, with the necessary vouchers, in the office of the clerk of the above entitled court, or to present them, with the necessary vouchers, to the undersigned at the law offices of BURFORD, HUBLER & BURFORD, 141 East Mill Avenue, Porterville, California, which is the place of business of the undersigned in all matters pertaining to the estate of said decedent, within six months after the first publication of this notice.

Dated June 4, 1965.
LILLIAN SOWARD, Executrix of the Will of the above named decedent.

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Around The County

VISALIA — Dick Keeffe, former mayor of Dinuba, has been sworn in as Tulare county supervisor, appointed by Governor E. G. Brown to fill the vacancy created by the death of Malcolm Crawford.

OROSI — Contracts totalling $292,250 have been awarded by the Orosi Public Utility district for construction of a sewer system to serve the Orosi community.

VISALIA — Total property taxes in Tulare county levied by county and city governments, school districts and special districts reached $28,957,231 for the year ending June 30, up 40.3 per cent over the last five years, according to the California Taxpayers' association.

WOODLAKE—St. John's school is closed after 90 years; students will move into Woodlake Elementary school in September

DINUBA — Plans are now under way for annual Raisin Day celebration at Dinuba, set for September 25.

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SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA FOR THE COUNTY OF TULARE

No. 62313

Action in rem brought in the Superior Court of the County of Tulare, and Complaint filed in the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of said County.

SUMMONS

PORTERVILLE IRRIGATION DISTRICT, a California Irrigation District, Plaintiff,
vs.
ALL PARTIES AND PERSONS HAVING OR CLAIMING TO HAVE ANY INTEREST IN THE APPROVAL AND CONFIRMATION OF THE PROCEEDINGS FOR THE ORGANIZATION OF PORTERVILLE IRRIGATION DISTRICT AND ALL PARTIES AND PERSONS IN ANY WAY INTERESTED OR CLAIMING TO BE INTERESTED IN THAT CERTAIN CONTRACT DATED APRIL 30, 1965, BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND SAID PORTERVILLE IRRIGATION DISTRICT ENTITLED, "CONTRACT BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND LOWER TULE RIVER IRRIGATION DISTRICT, PORTERVILLE IRRIGATION DISTRICT, VANDALIA IRRIGATION DISTRICT, AND PIONEER WATER COMPANY PROVIDING FOR THE OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF IRRIGATION STORAGE SPACE AND FOR THE REPAYMENT OF THE COST OF SUCCESS DAM AND RESERVOIR ALLOCATED TO IRRIGATION", OR IN THE PROCEEDINGS LEADING UP TO THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF SAID CONTRACT,
Defendants.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA SEND GREETINGS TO:

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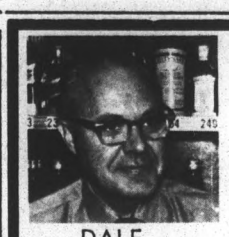
You are directed to appear in an action brought against you by the above named Plaintiff in the Superior Court of the State of California in and for the County of Tulare, and to answer the Complaint therein within ten days after the completion of the publication of this Summons. The date of the last day of publication of this Summons is July 22, 1965.

You are further notified and advised that the Plaintiff in and by said Complaint seeks to have the Court examine all the proceedings for the organization of Porterville Irrigation District, and all proceedings leading up to and including the execution and delivery of that certain contract between the United States of America and Lower Tule River Irrigation District, Porterville Irrigation District, Vandalia Irrigation District, and Pioneer Water Company, and dated April 30, 1965, entitled "Contract Between the United States of America and Lower Tule River Irrigation District, Porterville Irrigation District, Vandalia Irrigation, and Pioneer Water Company Providing for the Operation and Maintenance of Irrigation Storage Space and for the Repayment of the Cost of Success Dam and Reservoir Allocated to Irrigation", a copy of which contract is annexed to the Complaint on file herein. The plaintiff further seeks to have the Court examine the terms and conditions of said contract, and after such examination to approve and confirm as valid the organization of said Plaintiff and all the proceedings leading up to and including the execution and delivery of said contract, and to approve and confirm all the terms and provisions of said contract.

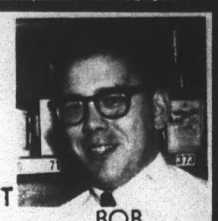
You are further notified that upon your failure to appear and answer said Summons within the time herein specified, Plaintiff will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in said Complaint.

Given under my hand and seal of the Superior Court for the County of Tulare, State of California, this 24th day of June, 1965.

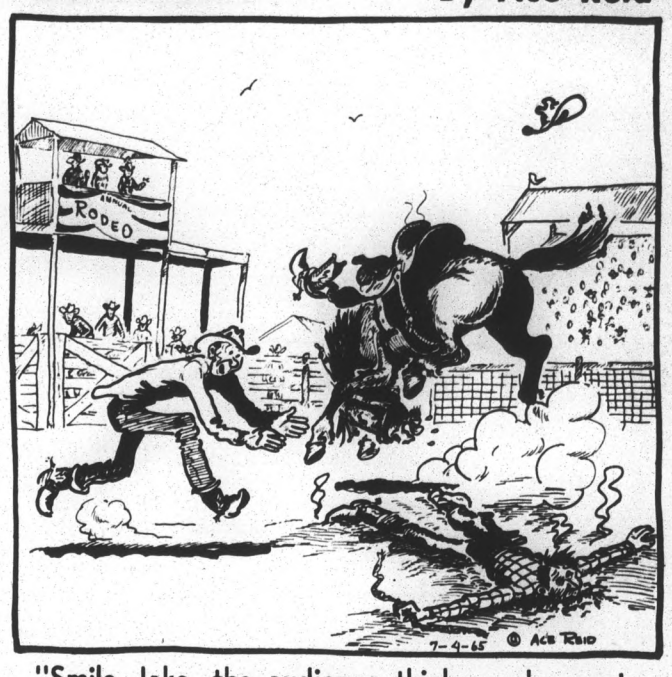
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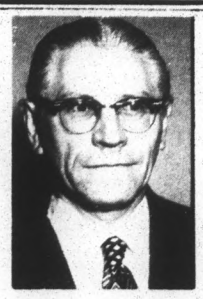

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CHAPEL CHIMES



By Rev. N. J. Thompson

The Chicago Museum of Science and Industry houses an exhibit of very clever machines. These machines are used to test a wide variety of consumer goods, everything from cars to baseballs. Comparative tests compare items of the same type, made by different manufacturers, for price and quality. Fact-finding tests reveal what a product is made of, how well it is made, and how long it will serve the purpose for which it was made.

Perhaps the most dramatic of the test mechanisms is the baseball machine. At the flick of a button it clouts a ball with great force, again and again, thousands of times. By testing the bounce left in the baseball when the cover is finally knocked off, a performance record for the ball can be accurately charted.

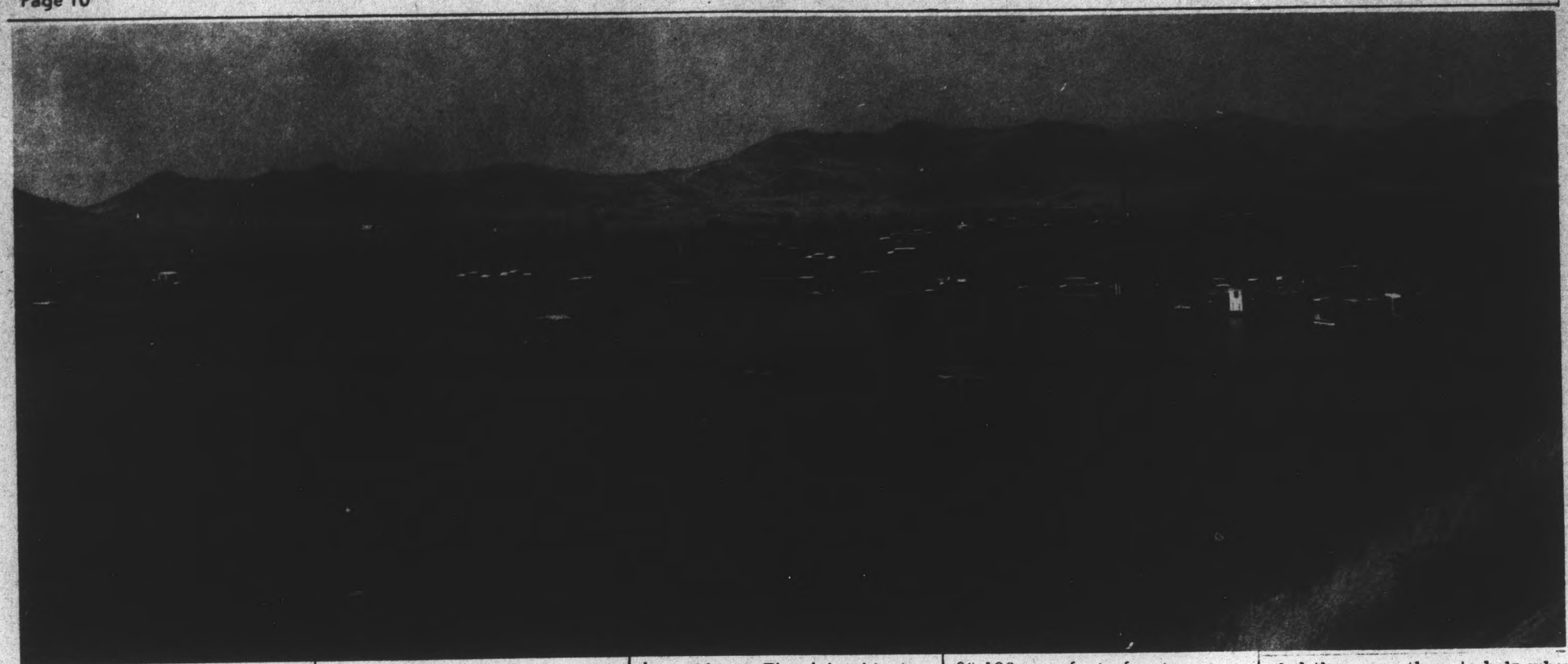
Life is a series of tests, often painful ones — trouble, sickness, bereavement, disappointment. Our strength and weakness show under tests, as the Chicago Museum's machines show the strength and weakness of baseballs.

In other words, God allows us to be clouted again and again, to see how much bounce is left in us!

Often He uses trials to draw us to Himself for resources of divine strength and faith to meet our emergencies. Often God challenges sinners with trials and afflictions, for, as Ben Johnson said, "Affliction teacheth a wicked person sometimes to pray."

A man has as much religion as he can show in times of trouble and testing. He who leans on the strong arm of the Lord will never yield to discouragement no matter how sorely life clouts him.

The Bible teems with God's promises of help in time of need. When life clouts you, let God help you to bounce back!



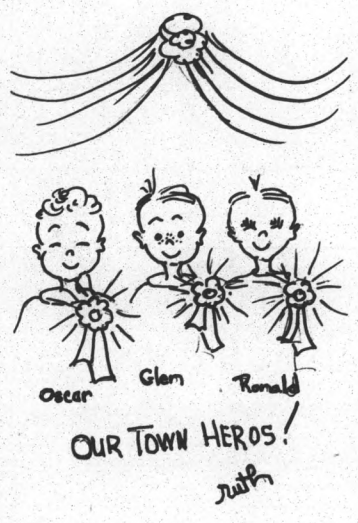
MARINA AT Lake Success has been moved into the south fork neck of the lake, with above photo showing the new location. The lake hit its season peak last week, with 66,138 acre feet of water. (Hammond Studio photo)

Our Town—

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given a chance to evaluate the principals. What are they afraid of? The principals have great sheets of paper they put little checks on. Grading the teachers from good grooming to all kinds of goodies. The teacher has to sign these papers also, just to let everyone know it was a democratic procedure. I was lucky. My principal figured if I had graduated from college and received the proper credentials I should know how to teach. He checked on me enough to know what I was doing, and if he thought I needed some jacking up he told me. Some of the principals have other ways of checking on their teachers which aren't too nice. This I've just heard from other teachers. As I say, I was lucky. If the teachers had an equal chance to evaluate their principals I think the powers that be would be surprised how fair they would be, and to the credit of the various schools.

Kay Elder is one of the receptionists at OUR SIERRA VIEW HOSPITAL. She was telling about a favorite patient. The whole staff at the hospital admires Don Tyrrell. Don is lying on his face in a Stryker Frame similar to the frame Ted Kennedy used after his accident. Enduring pain from his injured back and from the many skin grafts would make anyone a little cranky, but Don obviously has a background of courage. A very grateful Kathryn Tyrrell gave me the latest news of her son. If it hadn't been for the bravery of three courageous men Kathryn wouldn't have a son. Oscar Brown, Glen Gregg, and Roland Smith are among the very favored few who can visit Don. Having saved Don's life they have a special place in their hearts for him. Don tried to thank them but they would have none of that. They were just glad they were there to help when the time came. It took the three of them 15 seconds to drag Don from the flaming helicopter with no thought of their personal safety. How lucky Don is to have his life and the devotion of a wonderful family, and how wonderful to have all the great friends and flowers and cards to express their happiness that Don is getting along so very well.



Have you eaten in Bakersfield lately? Do you like to go down for a Sunday evening dinner? Try Gourmet 21. Richard Wing, of Emperial Dynasty fame, has a strictly Gourmet restaurant. The food is out of this world. The prices aren't too far out.

Happiness is knowing three men who risked everything to save a fellow human being.

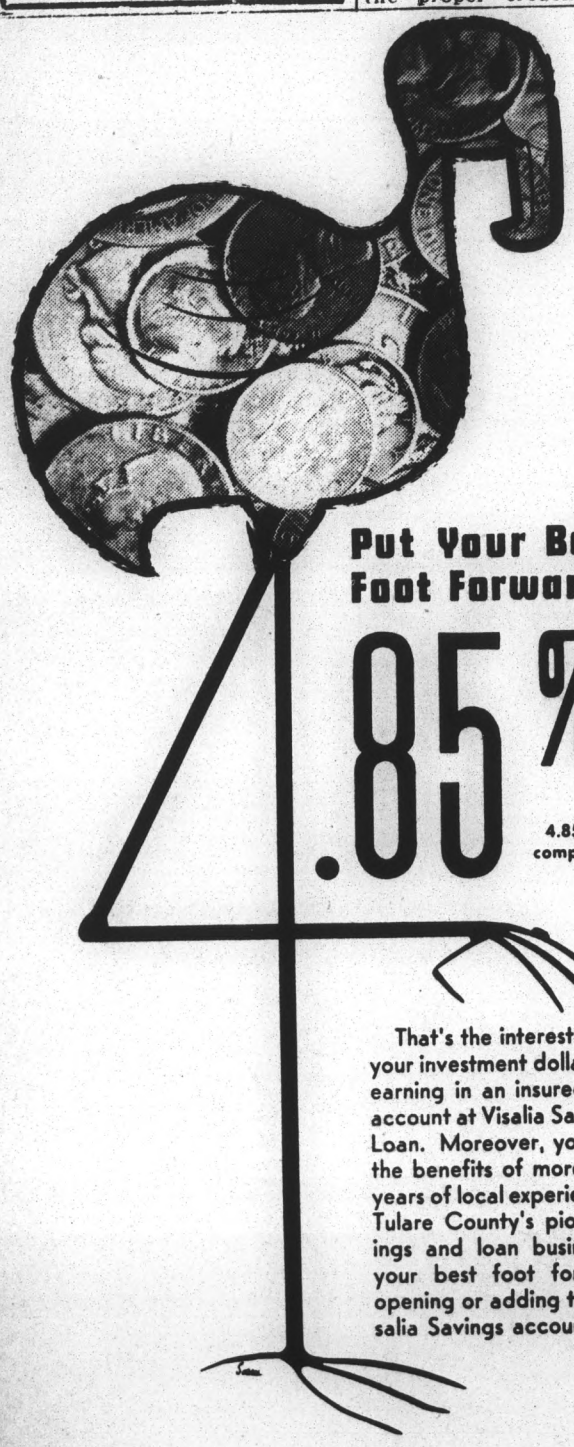
Slow Drivers Pull Over Says Newly Enacted Law

SAN FRANCISCO, July 1 — The National Automobile club has expressed approval of newly enacted legislation requiring slow moving drivers to yield the right-of-way when delaying five or more vehicles.

The new law provides that motorists driving at a speed less than the posted limit must move completely off two-lane highways, and to the right-hand lanes of multi-lane highways whenever five or more vehicles are following, providing it is safe to do so.

NAC believes the law compelling slow drivers to allow cars operating at the prescribed speed to pass will improve the flow of traffic and reduce unnecessary risks by frustrated motorists forced to follow slow moving vehicles.

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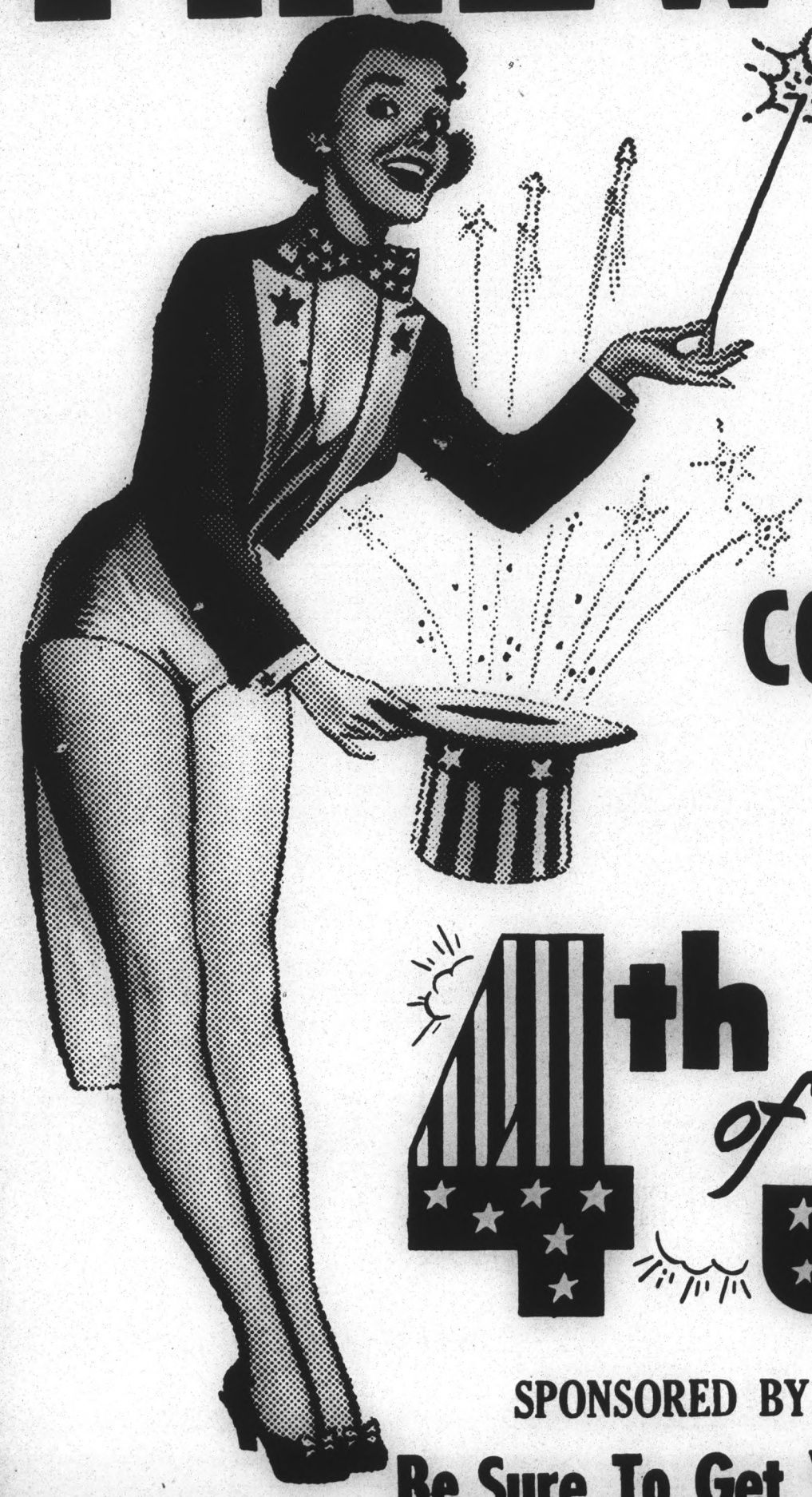
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(Farm Tribune photos)

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PRICE TAG

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if any, would go to the state of California for certain "benefits" to Indians, but Indians have no contractural arrangements with the state, only with the federal government.

And of particular concern to Salgado was Indian Claims Commission hearings in Los Angeles in May of 1964. According to Salgado, the commission was composed of three judges from Washington. They said they were meeting in California merely as a matter of policy, not that they wanted to or had to. According to Salgado, the testimony of Indians was cast aside; attorneys of record for the Indians cross-examined their own clients in front of the commission.

"We thought the commission might have a heart," says Salgado, "but we might as well have talked to a wall."

So what is the price tag of the California that was owned by the Indians? It appears that many California Indians are not willing to accept the figure and the terms of settlement that are being proposed by their own attorneys and by agencies of the federal government — including the Congress of the United States.

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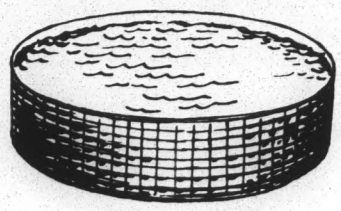
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